

# WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

September 24, 2020  
Minutes - Draft

**Present:** John Perkins, Susan Lyons, Daphne Herwig, Orvil Lasell, Matt Couillard

The Meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. at the Town Office.

**Minutes:** Minutes from August 27, 2020 were reviewed. Motion made by Orvil L. to accept - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H. Minutes were approved.

**Budget Status Report:** Budget Status Reports for 09-23-2020 were presented – one for the Current Year and one for Previous Year.

**Warrants:** Total Paid out = \$5,487.50.

**Income:** See Budget Status Report.

## New Business:

John P. We have a draft for a stone for Cameron Campbell to approve. Elisa Maurice from the VT Granite works is doing the stone. Copy passed around – discussion followed.

Daphne H. I'll make the Motion to approve the draft for the Campbell stone. Orvil L. 2<sup>nd</sup>. – All approved the motion.

Susan L. I will call Elisa Maurice tomorrow to let her know so she can get started on it. The base has already been poured in the Village Cemetery.

John P. I was able to watch Tree Works do the cabling and bracing job on the Maple tree in the Village Cemetery. It was done on Friday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.  
Joe will not be able to be at this meeting – but I have his report that he e-mailed to me. He has reported that the mowing has slowed down bc of no rain, so will mow sparingly. His contract for next year will remain the same as it was this year.  
It has been very quiet in the cemeteries the last 2 months and he doesn't have anything scheduled for the rest of the year. 80 more stones were cleaned in East Hill Cemetery.

John P. We still have time to do more cleaning in both Village Cemetery and East Hill. I'll look at the stones in Village and call Dirty Rock to give them a list for another 80 stones. Would also like to give Joe another 80 stones to be cleaned in the East Hill Cemetery. Do I have a Motion for approval?

Susan L. I will make the Motion to approve another 80 stones to be cleaned in the Village Cemetery and 80 in the East Hill Cemetery. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H. – so moved and Motion passed.

I have been working in the East Hill Cemetery and there are several stones that will need to be replaced with grass markers. The last price we had from GIV was for \$162.00 per marker. I sent them an e-mail for a current price but have not heard back yet.

Orvil L. GIV is slow right now – roughly 5 weeks behind. Suggest checking with some other Granite companies for price quotes.

Susan L. Can you give me some names?

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Orvil L. Buttura & Gheradi Granite Artisans; Adams Granite Co.; Arts Custom – Rick Dubois.

**Old Business:**

John P. I have Stephen Ford’s quote on removal of stumps in the East Hill Cemetery. There are two quotes – one that includes 10 hours of clean up for \$800.00 and one w/o cleaning up for \$600.00. Note on quote – “If it takes less than 10 hours we will only be billed for the time it took.”  
I asked Joe if he would be interested in doing the clean up and he said No. Stephen will have to be shown where to dump the stump grinding waste. I have marked the 4 stumps on the north side of the road at the south end of East Hill.

Daphne H. Just wanted to mention again that there is a stump that has a gravestone in it.

I will make a Motion to accept the Bid for Stephen Ford to remove the 4 stumps in East Hill Cemetery at the \$800.00 price quote.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C. All approved.

John P. I’ll give Stephen a call to let him know that we have accepted his Bid for the \$800.00, and will have him stop in the office to pick up the paperwork needed to be completed.

Let’s look over the budget that is due by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Discussion followed. After adjusting some figures we came up with a total of \$44,700 for the Town Allocation plus \$2,000 coming from the Interest from Perp. Care Fund for a grand total of \$46,700.

Susan L. I’ll make the Motion to have John P. check the New Budget figures and present the new figure of \$46,700 to Jackie Higgins, the Town Mgr.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C. - - All approved.

John P. Any other business? None - -

Susan L. I’ll make the Motion to adjourn this meeting - - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: October 22, 2020

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